

## THE HARVEST OF DEATH

### PROF. AARON SHEELY'S WORK FOR THE SCHOOLS OF COUNTY

L. M. Buehler Last Proprietor of Oldest Drug Store of the Town Passes Away.

Prof. AARON SHEELY, whose death was briefly noted last week, gave the best years of his life to the public schools of the county. Born in Mt. Joy township in 1836, a son of Jacob and Mary Hartman Sheely, he attended the public schools of that township, then took a course at Gettysburg College and at 19 years of age took up the work of teaching in the public schools, completing eight full years at the work. In 1863 he was elected County Superintendent, occupying that office until 1890 with exception of one term. It was during that period the schools were being effectively organized and Mr. Sheely's work was invaluable. He represented what was best in educational thought of his time and gave practical shape to it in the schools. He was an enthusiastic along educational lines. He devoted himself to developing public school sentiment and support and development of the schools. In his conduct of institutions he brought here the best talent to be had to contribute to the making of school sentiment. Prof. Sheely was more familiar with the history of the schools of the county than any other citizen. He gathered and preserved all data and information relative to the same. He wrote the chapter for the Adams County History on the schools of the county and before that out of the wealth of information he possessed as to the county wrote in 1876 the chapter on Adams County for Edie's History of Pennsylvania. He was the author of a book, "Anecdotes and Humor of School Life." He contributed many articles to newspapers and magazines, a large number to the Compiler. In 1878 Gettysburg College conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts. He conducted a normal school in his place for a number of years in which many of the best teachers of the county were instructed. On January 7, 1902, Prof. Sheely married Miss Lucy Deardorff, daughter of John and Mary Deardorff. She survives with three daughters. Miss Sadie Sheely at home, Mrs. H. Y. Battorff of Harrisburg, and Mrs. W. K. Diehl of Chambersburg. He has two sons and a daughter all dead. W. Clarence Sheely, Esq., Dr. Harry M. Sheely, and Mrs. Hoshour. He also leaves one brother, Ephraim Sheely of Ardenstville. The funeral was held last Sunday, Rev. J. B. Baker conducting the services, in a most being made in Evergreen cemetery.

George M. B. died at a Washington, D. C. in his 71st year. He had been in declining health for a number of years. He was proprietor of the oldest drug store in this town for the past twenty years and it was out of his store that his well-known Buehler Drug Store was founded in 1818 by S. H. Buehler and after his death was conducted for a half century by Alexander D. Buehler, who upon his death in 1893 willed it to his nephew, Luther M. Buehler. The latter was a son of George E. and Julia Ann Buehler, was born in this place and early in life entered his uncle's drug store. He had many friends here. He was twice married, first in 1872 to Miss Ruth Metzger of Hanover, who died in 1884, and then in 1887 to Miss Mattie Briggs of New York City, who survives him, with one son by first marriage, Ralph Buehler, of Chicago, and two sons and three daughters by second marriage, Lyron Briggs Buehler, the artist, of Lancaster, Alexander, Misses Ruth, Frieda and Vera Buehler of Atlantic City. Two brothers survive, S. Henry Buehler of Stevens street, and A. Danner Buehler of East Middle street, this place. The body will be cremated in Philadelphia today.

George DANIEL ROSENSTELL died at his home at Round Top on Monday, aged 57 years. He had been ill a week with pleurisy. In early life he was engaged in the butcher business in this place and for last 28 years has lived at Round Top. The funeral will be held today, Saturday, services from St. Francis Xavier's Catholic Church by Rev. Fr. Boyle, with interment in the Catholic cemetery. He leaves a wife and seven children, Mrs. Walter Blank of Gettysburg, Mrs. C. R. Richter of Taneytown road, John, George, Thomas, Emma and Virginia at home. Two brothers and two sisters survive, John, Roscoe, Miss Virginia Rosenstall and Mrs. John Beck of Round Top, and Frank Rosenstall of Gettysburg.

THOMAS W. FENNEROCK of Monmouth township died on Tuesday aged 82 years. He has been manager of Dr. Stever's fruit farm for just 14 years. He was a member of the Bendersville Lodge of Odd Fellows and P. O. S. of A. The funeral will be held this Saturday, services and interment at Cline's Church. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Finnebeck of Gardner's two brothers and three sisters, Chas. E. of Williams-town, Jesse and Mrs. Annie M. Tarnell of Aspers R. R., Mrs. Nelson Shank of Bicklersville, and Miss Edna at home.

WILLIAM D. DEAN, proprietor of Hotel O'Boyd, Hanover, died on Monday, Feb. 23, from erysipelas, in his 50th year. He had been sick about two weeks. He was a son of the late

James Devine of Edge Grove, at one time County Commissioner. The father was the manager of Cambridge Chapel farm for a number of years. Wm. D. Devine was clerk to the County Commissioners for three years and was Democrat County Commissioner for several years. He was a member of the Washington Hotel in this town for twenty years and was a member of the Germania Club. He was a native of Ireland and was married to a daughter of the late John O'Neill, still compiler of the Germania Club.

Mrs. MATISSA J. L. died at her home near Bennington, Kan., Pa., aged 71 years, 7 months and 22 days. She had been sick for several years preceding her death. She was married to Noah Lot of Adams county, Pa., in the year 1867, and was a resident of the county until the year 1881 when the family moved to Kansas. She is survived by four children, John Lot of Sacramento, Cal., Thomas R. Lot of Tulsa, Okla., and Wallace Lot and Ruth Powell at home with their mother, a widow sister, Mrs. C. W. Southard of Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. ELLEN KAMBER, widow of Fred C. Kamper of Chambersburg, died on Feb. 16. She was well known to many of our people, having been president of Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of West Pa. Lutheran Synod for 29 years. She had recently returned from a trip to Europe. The funeral was on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. CATHERINE L. SMITH of Union township, died Feb. 18, from heart trouble and dropsy, aged about 74 years, after an illness of nine weeks. Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband, Anthony J. Smith, and the following children: Mrs. John Henler of Hanover, Benjamin Smith of York, Mrs. Annie Spangler of Union township, Mrs. James Milhines of New Chester, Clarence Smith of York, Mrs. Alice Sanders of New Oxford, Edw. Smith at home, Leo Smith of New Oxford. Funeral last Saturday from St. Aloysius Church, Littlestown, interment in Catholic cemetery of Littlestown.

Mrs. JENNIE HOWARD of Carlisle St., whose death was briefly noted in our last issue as having occurred on Thursday morning was buried Saturday in the Salem Church cemetery, services being held by Rev. J. E. Baker assisted by Dr. T. J. Barkley. Miss Howard was the daughter of Andrew and Susan Howard and was born not far from Gettysburg. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Alvera Robert of town, and Mrs. H. T. Sheely of Hanover.

Mrs. ROSA A. EMERSON, widow of Michael Emerson, formerly of East Berlin, died at the home of her son-in-law, Alvin Emerson, York, on Sunday, Feb. 22, aged about 70 years. She is survived by one son and four daughters, John L. Emerson, Mrs. Peter Emerson and Mrs. Cora Brown of East Berlin, Mrs. Alvin Emerson and Mrs. Edith Emerson of York, also by one brother, A. W. Emerson, and two sisters, Mrs. Isaac Kroll of Clinton, N. J., and Mrs. Catharine Emerson of New Cumberland. The funeral was on Wednesday with interment at Bernadine Lutheran Church, ending ground.

Mrs. ANNA ELIZABETH HASSLER, aged 78 years, died Monday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles F. Haack, in York. Mrs. Hassler had been confined to bed for several months. She was the widow of Jacob Hassler, of York and is survived by the following children: Noah E. Hassler, East Berlin, Mrs. George L. Baubitz, Red Lion, and Mrs. Charles F. Haack. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Isabelle E. STORM, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James G. Stover, died at her home in Bendersville last Saturday aged 7 months and 24 days. Funeral services on Wednesday. After the services the body was taken to Fiohr's cemetery for interment. Rev. C. F. Floet of Biglerville officiating.

Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson of Lincrore township died on Monday night aged 8 weeks. The funeral was held Wednesday with interment at Gardner's Church.

ELMAN W. DAVIS of Bicklersville died on last Sunday in his 78th year. He was a veteran a member of Co. 1, 165th Pa. Regt. Vols. The funeral was on Wednesday, services and interment at Bendersville. Luth. Ch. Church. He leaves a wife and a son, Wm. at home. Two brothers and a sister survive, Eli and M. J. Davis of Ohio, and Mrs. Andrew Davis of Bendersville.

David BARNETT, son of Martha Barnett of near A. C. died from influenza last Feb. 27, aged 25 years. Funeral last Saturday, interment at Bicklersville. He is survived by his father, three brothers and six sisters.

George T. EYBING, a Bredon resident of Emmittsburg, Md. Pa., is aged about 66 years. He was a lawyer, succeeding his father. He was a veteran of Civil War, having fought twice. He heard Lincoln make his immortal address here. He married Miss Fannie Bradley of Emmittsburg, who with two daughters, Misses Mary Ellen and Virginia, survive. Also a sister, Mrs. C. W. Kelly of Williamsport and a brother, H. W. Eyster, of Emmittsburg.

CHARLES M. WAGNER of New Oxford, a retired farmer, died at York Hospital, Feb. 17, aged 47 years. He had been in hospital five weeks undergoing an operation. He was a son of the late

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## FIRE DESTROYS FRAT HOUSE

### THE HANDSOME A. T. O. FRATERNITY HOUSE A RUIN.

Property Destroyed Represents Value of a Standpipe and Automobile Engine.

On last Sunday morning Gettysburg was a fire which destroyed the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity House, a handsome building on North Washington street, nearly opposite the entrance to the college campus. The destruction of this house expressed in other terms means more than the cost of an automobile fire engine and more than the cost of three stand pipes. This loss demonstrated the inadequacy of the present fire fighting apparatus. An inadequacy the Fire Company has realized and urged for many months. An inadequacy that have predicted would be demonstrated whenever a fire might occur.

The conditions were favorable to this demonstration. The alarm came when almost all of our people were sound asleep, shortly after four o'clock in the morning. The distance from engine house to fire caused delay until alarm was given. The night was bitter cold and time was consumed waiting until enough firemen arrived at engine house to man the apparatus. The hose streams without pressure never reached into the second story windows notwithstanding building is in a low section of the town. It was over a half hour from time the fire was discovered until streams were pouring on the fire with the power of the engine back of them.

The Fire Company did great work in spite of all the circumstances. With a plug stream in the rear and two from engine without power they started on their work of keeping the flames within the walls of the building. Rescues on either side were also kept wet. When the Fire Company had streams under good head of power from engine, the fire was quickly brought under control and all danger of spread of flames was ended.

The origin of fire is much of a mystery. It was discovered by Wm. Little, hostler at Reading engine house, who sounded an alarm with whistle or an engine. Dr. Crist was telephoned to ring an alarm and when he reached the Engine House John M. Behm was ringing the bell. There had been a social function in building after the Sophomore Play, breaking up shortly after midnight. A grate fire was found necessary as fire in furnace was low, and the grate fire was put out by water. The fire started in the lower part of building, cellar or first floor.

With the building was destroyed the furnishings, pool table, piano and fine furniture. The building and furnishings represented a cost of over \$10,000 to replace to day and the loss to the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity will be very large as the insurance on the building is but \$1000 and on contents \$500.

The Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity was established in Gettysburg College in 1882 and the fraternity house was erected in 1902 and was a very attractive structure of buff brick with sandstone trimmings and nearly the entire front being of glass.

A number of the residents of that portion of the town, Mrs. Bender, Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. Rupp, Mrs. Holtzworth served hot coffee to the firemen and this attention was highly appreciated.

This fire has a most important message for the town. It happened in the lowest portion of the town, along the river, yet the pressure given the water by the Gettysburg Water Company will not lift it 25 feet into the second story of the house.

This condition demands a standpipe 90 feet high which would give at least 45 pounds additional pressure. Such a stand pipe can be erected as a manager of a water plant in a nearby town has declared, at a cost of \$2500. The town could provide the interest on such an outlay and insist upon the Water Company supplying the need. With four reel outlets then located in four different sections of the town, good plug streams of water capable of reaching the top of the tallest buildings, would be available upon discovery of a fire. If engine then proved insufficient steps could be taken for an auto engine. But the demand now is for a stand pipe, such a stand pipe could make instantly available.

## WEDDINGS.

Stock-Powell.—At 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, Feb. 21, Miss Mercedes Helen Powell, daughter of Mrs. Mary L. Powell, and Joseph J. Stock, son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Stock, were united in marriage at a nuptial mass in St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Fr. Mark Stock of Carlisle. The wedding party entered the church with Miss Mary Kerner playing the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin. The bridegroom was Michael J. Flynn of Monaca, brother of the bride, accompanied the latter and gave her away. The ushers were Michael J. Flynn of Monaca, Charles E. Swisher of Gettysburg. Prior to the mass a quartet including the groom's three brothers, George A., Leo S. and Charles Stock, sang "Faithful and True." During the mass Leo S. Stock sang a "Hallelujah" and the quartet "O Lord of Heaven" and Charles Stock "O Perfect Love." The recessional was Mendelssohn's march.

The bride wore a handsome gown of white broadened champagne trimmed with shadow lace and pearls. Her veil was caught with orange blossoms and she carried a bouquet of roses and white peonies. The bride-maid wore a gown of pale green and silver and carried a bouquet of white peonies and Spanish lilies with blue and white ribbon. The bridesmaids wore a bouquet of white peonies. Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at home of the bride, which was a reception was held the newly weds leaving on a home leave on the 11 o'clock train en route to Carlisle. The groom was away given by representative John Lantz, of Richmond, who served under Lord Ashmun, 1st Lord of Louisville, and "Com." James C. Baker, of New York, former commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. Representative Sherley, who was the first speaker, in a brilliant address pointed to the difference between a monument to an individual and a memorial of the kind here proposed that was to be an object lesson to the coming generations.

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Comings and Goings, Social Events and Other Items of Interest.

Miss Onelda Beck of visiting her grandparents Mrs. Frank Beck. —Mrs. T. J. Whitmore and Mrs. Spaulding were guests of Mrs. Swope this week. —Mr. and Mrs. town spent Sunday. —S. E. Trimmer. —C. Miller. —Oakland, Md. —Charles S. —has returned after a 10-day visit. —Kuhlman. —Dr. and Mrs. Stock of D. ville, Leo S. —Washington. —Rev. Mark Stock of Little, Mr. at Mrs. Fann of Mt. Carmel, and Mrs. Stock of Emmittsburg, visited at home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Stock this week.

Floyd Brenn has returned to Baltimore after a month's visit at home on Seminary Ridge. —Larsy Welker of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents in Hanover street. —Mr. and Mrs. Ambrogi and daughter Annie Ambrogi, after spending a number of years in town, left on Monday for their former home in Italy where they will reside. —Mrs. H. C. Allen gave a large reception at her home on Seminary Ridge on Monday evening. —Miss Rachel Granville entertained a number of friends at her home on the campus on Friday afternoon. —The local lodge of P. O. S. of A. will hold their annual banquet on Friday evening, March 6. —Miss Rebecca Ziegler gave a birthday party to a number of her friends on last Thursday in honor of her thirtieth anniversary.

A very pleasant family reunion was held at the home of Thomas C. Neely in York Springs one day last week. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed. L. Neely of Prescott, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Gardner, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Cashman, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Casman, Miss Ruth Casman, Harold Gardner and the Rev. L. M. Gardner.

The annual Colonial Tea given by the local chapter of D. A. R. on last Saturday evening in the Stallsmith Building was a decided success. The two large dining rooms were attractively arranged, each with two tables presided over by W. H. O'Neal, Mrs. J. L. Butt, Mrs. W. A. Granville and Mrs. J. Ellis Musselman. Flags and Kilmory roses with ferns were the decorations. Ices in the form of eagles and shields bearing a likeness of Washington were a special feature of the supper. About 100 people were served and the sum of \$93 cleared.

Junior Week was celebrated at the college last week by a number of festivities making it a most enjoyable affair. The first event was the Bucknell-Gettysburg game on Friday afternoon. Gettysburg triumphed over her old rivals with a score of 41 to 29. Immediately following the game was the Prom Tea given by Mrs. W. A. Granville to the patronesses and guests of the Junior Prom. On Friday evening the annual Junior Promenade was held in Garfield Hall, with the class of 1915 as hosts. The ball was artistically decorated with festoons of college orange and blue and class brown and white colors and pine. The patronesses were Mrs. W. A. Granville, Mrs. F. B. Wickersham, Mrs. Chas. S. Dunham, Mrs. William Hersh, Mrs. Charles H. Huber, Mrs. Wm. Arch. McClean, Mrs. W. C. Sheely, Mrs. Elmer Smith, Mrs. S. McC. Swope, Mrs. J. Donald Swope, Mrs. Daniel A. Skelly, and Mrs. H. B. Nixon. Dr. P. M. Nikke was the patron. About sixty young ladies were among the guests. The class of 1915 presented their guests with dainty vanity bags made of brown suede with the college "G" and the class numerals burned on one side, and containing a white satin powder puff, Collier's Gossamer of York furnished the toilet and Mrs. Miller of town entered. On Saturday evening the Sophomores gave their annual party in the Church. The house was filled to its capacity and the enthusiastic audience gave vent to its appreciation of the entertainment so richly deserved. The party was under the direction of H. H. Moser of college and the St. Bernard's orchestra furnished the music. Several of the Greek Letter Fraternities entertained at their respective chamber houses on Saturday afternoon and in the evening after the party.

Miss Jane Shields and Miss Belle Griffith of Harrisburg spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Shields and family on York street. On Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Shields celebrated with a dinner, the 47th anniversary of their marriage, the wedding having taken place February 21, 1867.

—Miss Anna Beck has been in Baltimore, New York and Philadelphia for the past ten days. —Miss Mary Ranner has returned from a visit of several weeks with friends in Harrisburg and Centerville. —Miss Mildred Dulles has returned from a business trip to New York and Philadelphia. —Miss Mabel Thorn of Harrisburg spent this week with relatives in town.

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Miss Oppenlander of Columbia University, will be in Gettysburg some time next week to meet the Junior Chautauqua class, the exact date will be announced later.

Rev. I. D. Crist has returned to Howard, New York after a short visit at the home of his brother Dr. Chester G. Crist.

The Misses Alveta Masenheimer, Addie Swartz and Melva Yingling, of Hanover spent Sunday with Miss Lucy Tawner on South Street.

Charles Cashman of Taneytown spent Friday in town on business.

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